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Re: New U.S. Patent Application

Title: DISTRIBUTED OPEN ARCHITECTURE FOR
MEDIA AND TELEPHONY SERVICES

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

- a. Application - 15 pages of specification, including 2 independent claims and 12 claims total.
- b. Drawings - 3 sheets of informal drawings (Figures 1-3).
- c. A check for \$760.00 representing the filing fee.

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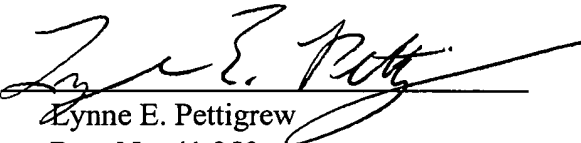
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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